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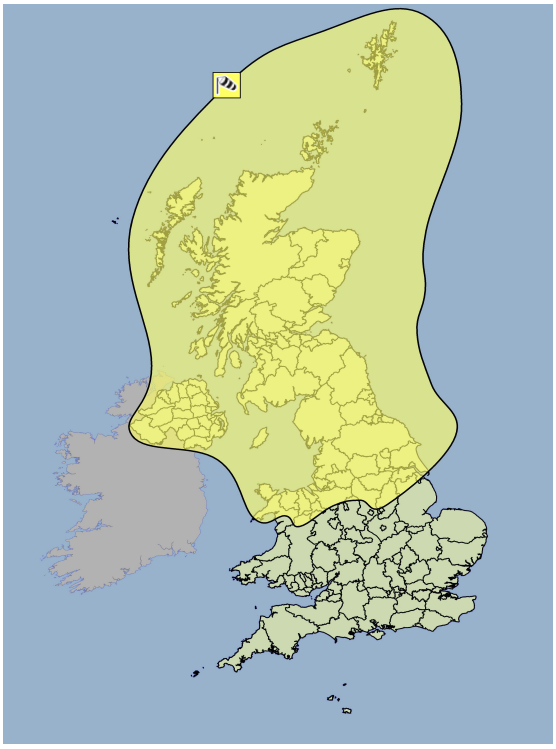

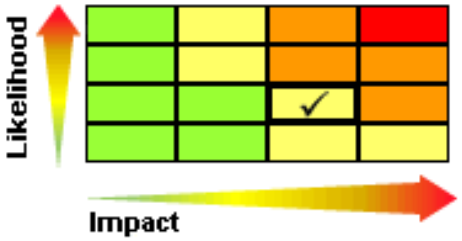

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A rapidly deepening area of low pressure is expected to track close to northern Scotland during Friday. There is uncertainty over the exact track of the depression and the depth of it, which in turn leads to uncertainty in the location and strength of the strongest winds. Currently, the far north of Scotland, particularly the Northern Isles, looks the most probable area to see the strongest winds, with the potential for damaging storm force winds here. However, very strong and gusty winds are likely to develop to the east of high ground during the early hours of Friday, whilst a very squally cold front could bring gusts of 70-80 mph very locally to some inland parts during the morning.

Given the uncertainty mentioned above and the potential for medium impacts, this warning will be kept under close review.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **01:00 on Fri, 29th Jan 2016** until **18:00 on Fri, 29th Jan 2016**

West to southwesterly gales are expected to develop widely across Scotland, Northern Ireland, northern England and parts of north Wales during early Friday. The strongest winds are most likely to affect the far north of Scotland, particularly the Northern Isles, and here gusts of 90 mph are possible. Elsewhere, winds are expected to widely gust 60 mph and possibly 70-80 mph in exposed locations and also locally inland as a squally cold front moves east during the morning, especially across western Scotland, Northern Ireland and northern England.

Be aware of the potential for difficult driving conditions and disruption to travel and power supplies. Across the far north of Scotland there is the likelihood of higher levels of disruption.

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The warning has been updated to increase the likelihood of medium impacts and also to extend it further south into north Wales and more of northern England.

For more details please go to:
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